

**ABSTRACT****TAPE PRINTER**

5 A tape printer for use with a tape cassette and an ink ribbon  
cassette, the printer comprising a housing and a printhead  
having a line of printing elements thereon, wherein said  
printer comprises at least one cassette receiving portion in  
said housing for receiving the tape cassette and the ink  
10 ribbon cassette, such that the cassettes are receivable in a  
direction which is substantially perpendicular to the line of  
printing elements on the printhead when the printhead is in a  
printing position.